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Applicant : Margaret E. Black
Application No. : 09/173,463
Filed : October 14, 1998
For: : THYMIDINE KINASE MUTANTS AND FUSION PROTEINS
HAVING THYMIDINE KINASE AND GUANYLATE KINASE
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Examiner : Christian L. Fronda
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Docket No. : 240083.429
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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated July 6, 2000, please extend the due date for response by two months to expire on December 6, 2000. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 2 and 12 as follows: